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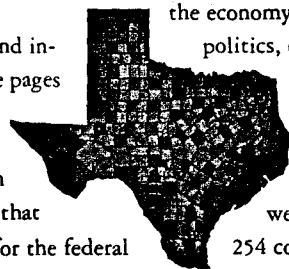


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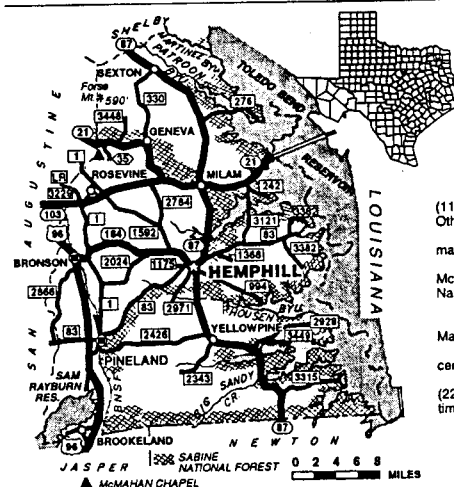
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|----------------|--------|---------------------|---------|
| Population | 10,720 | Land Area (sq. mi.) | 490.3 |
| Change fm '90 | 11.8 | Altitude (ft.) | 164-590 |
| Area (sq. mi.) | 576.5 | Rainfall (in.) | 52.5 |
| | | Jan. mean min. | 36 |

Sabine County

Physical Features: Eighty percent forested; 114,498 acres in national forest; Sabine River, Toledo Bend Reservoir on east; Sam Rayburn Reservoir on southwest.

Economy: Timber industries; government services; tourism; agriculture.

History: Caddo area. Spanish land grants in 1790s brought first Spanish and Anglo settlers. An original county, created 1836; organized 1837. Name means cypress in Spanish.

Ethnicity, 1990: White, 8,394 (87.6%); Black, 1,117 (11.7%); American Indian, 10 (0.1%); Asian, 12 (0.1%); Other, 53 (0.6%). Hispanic, 111 (1.2%).

Vital Statistics, 1997: Births, 103; deaths, 157; marriages, 86; divorces, 26.

Recreation: Lake activities; campsites; marinas; McMahan's Chapel, pioneer Protestant church; Sabine National Forest; hunting.

Minerals: Glauconite.

Agriculture: Poultry, cattle; vegetables, fruit raised. Market value \$10.9 million. Significant timber industry.

HEMPHILL (1,327) county seat; timber, livestock center; tourism; hospital.

Other towns include: Bronson (377); Brookeland (220); Geneva (100); Millam (177); Pineland (1,265) timber processing.

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| July mean max. | 93 |
| Growing season (days) | 236 |
| Civ. Labor | 4,018 |
| Unemployed | 9.1 |
| Annual Wages | \$54,373,126 |
| Av. Weekly Wage | \$437.08 |
| Fed. Wages | \$2,190,759 |
| Ag. Net Cash Return | \$545,000 |
| Prop. Value | \$430,948,954 |
| Retail Sales | \$43,021,069 |

San Augustine County

Physical Features: Hilly East Texas county, 80 percent forested with 66,799 acres in Angelina National Forest, 4,317 in Sabine National Forest; Sam Rayburn Reservoir; varied soils, sandy to black alluvial.

Economy: Lumbering; shipping; varied manufacturing.

History: Presence of Caddoes attracted Spanish mission in 1717. First Anglos and Indians from U.S. southern states arrived around 1800. Antebellum slaveholding area. County created and named for Mexican municipality in 1836; an original county; organized 1837.

Ethnicity, 1990: White, 5,663 (70.8%); Black, 2,244 (28.1%); American Indian, 15 (0.2%); Asian, 6 (0.1%); Other, 71 (0.9%). Hispanic, 138 (1.7%).

Vital Statistics, 1997: Births, 117; deaths, 127; marriages, 95; divorces, 21.

Recreation: Lake activities; pine fest, annual tour of homes in April, sassafras festival in October; many historic homes; tourist facilities in national forests.

Minerals: Small amount of oil.

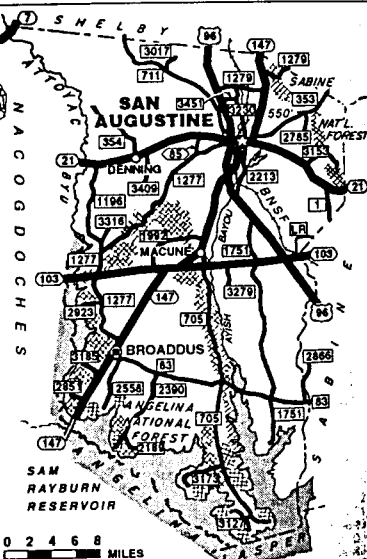
Agriculture: Poultry, cattle, horses; watermelons, peas, corn, truck crops. Market value \$25.1 million. Timber sales significant.

SAN AUGUSTINE (2,365) county seat; tourism; livestock center; varied manufacturing; Deep East Texas Electric Cooperative; lumbering; hospital; Tour of Homes.

Other towns include: Broadus (210).

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|---------------------|---------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Population | 8,276 | Growing season (days) | 238 |
| Change fm '90 | 3.5 | Civ. Labor | 3,398 |
| Area (sq. mi.) | 592.2 | Unemployed | 7.2 |
| Land Area (sq. mi.) | 527.9 | Annual Wages | \$36,048,346 |
| Altitude (ft.) | 164-550 | Av. Weekly Wage | \$351.99 |
| Rainfall (in.) | 48.6 | | |
| Jan. mean min. | 35 | | |
| July mean max. | 93 | | |

For explanation of sources, abbreviations and symbols, see p. 130.



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| Fed. Wages | \$975,077 |
| Ag. Net Cash Return | \$351,000 |
| Prop. Value | \$349,921,281 |
| Retail Sales | \$36,624,209 |

San Jacinto County

Physical Features: East Texas county north of Houston; rolling hills; 80 percent forested; 58,625 acres in Sam Houston National Forest; Trinity, East Fork San Jacinto rivers.

Economy: Timber and oil.

History: Antakapa Indian area. Anglo-Americans arrived in 1820s. Land grants issued to Mexican families in early 1830s. County created from Liberty, Montgomery, Polk, Walker

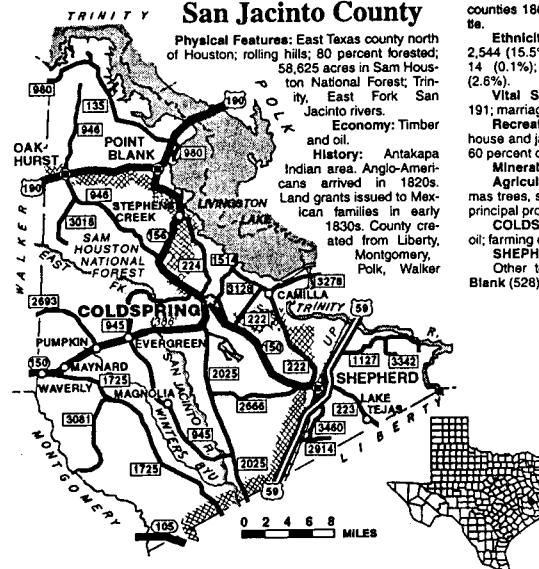
and oil.

Agriculture: Beef and forages, horses, Christmas trees, swine. Market value \$4.8 million. Timber principal product.

COLDSPRING (814) county seat; lumbering; oil; farming center; tourism; historic sites.

SHEPHERD (2,324) lumbering.

Other towns include: Oakhurst (262); Point Blank (528) logging, agribusiness, construction.



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| Population | 19,700 |
| Change fm '90 | 20.3 |
| Area (sq. mi.) | 627.9 |
| Land Area (sq. mi.) | 570.7 |
| Altitude (ft.) | 74-386 |
| Rainfall (in.) | 48.3 |
| Jan. mean min. | 36 |
| July mean max. | 93 |
| Growing season (days) | 261 |
| Civ. Labor | 7,438 |
| Unemployed | 9.1 |
| Annual Wages | \$36,901,019 |
| Av. Weekly Wage | \$386.64 |
| Fed. Wages | \$1,067,274 |
| Ag. Net Cash Return | \$312,000 |
| Prop. Value | \$826,575,050 |
| Retail Sales | \$42,599,408 |

San Patricio County

Physical Features: Grassy, coastal prairie draining to Aransas, Nueces rivers, and to bays; sandy loam, clay, black loam soils; lake.

Economy: Oil, petrochemicals; agribusiness; manufacturing; tourism; naval base; in Corpus Christi metropolitan area.

History: Karankawa area. Mexican sheep herders in area before colonization. Settled by Irish families in 1830 (name is Spanish for St. Patrick). Created, named for municipality 1836; organized 1837, reorganized 1847.

Population 67,205

Change fm '90 14.4

Area (sq. mi.) 707.0

Land Area (sq. mi.) 691.8

Altitude (ft.) 868 level-200

Rainfall (in.) 35.0

Jan. mean min. 43

July mean max. 94

Growing season (days) 303

Civ. Labor 28,462

Unemployed 6.9

Annual Wages \$363,904,997

Av. Weekly Wage \$491.84

Fed. Wages \$13,318,682

Ag. Net Cash Return \$14,767,000

Prop. Value \$2,556,369,132

Retail Sales \$370,101,651

Other towns include: Edroy (200); Gregory (2,606); Ingleside (7,664); naval base, chemical and manufacturing plants, ship repair, hospital, birding, Navy Days in May; Ingleside-on-the-Bay (526); Lake City (503); Lakeside (331); Mathis (5,734); Odem (2,861); San Patricio (457); Taft (3,755) manufacturing, processing; drug rehabilitation center, hospital; Christmas parade.

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